PRESIDENT : I think we will send you to the Railway Station where it can be demonstrated. 'Tender' of an engine is quite an ordinary term. There is nothing very difficult about it. It has nothing to do with tenders submitted by contractors. (*Laughter.*)

Building for the Vernacular Middle School for Girls at Nedumangad.

85. ✻**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how long it is since the building for the Vernacular Middle School for Girls at Nedumangad was destroyed ;

(*b*) whether a new site was not acquired by the Department to construct a new building for the purpose ;

(*c*) whether an estimate was called for it and

(*d*) when the building would be constructed ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : (*a*) On 12-12-1107.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Owing to the existing financial stringency, it is not possible to say definitely when the building will be constructed.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : How long is it since the new site was acquired ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : Just over one year.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : When did the estimate for the construction reach the Director ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : It has not reached the Director yet.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know when the Director would get the estimate for the construction and when the work would be started ?

PRESIDENT : You will find the answer in part (*d*) of the answer. It depends upon financial possibilities. The Director cannot say more than that.

Waiting lists in the Education Department.

86. ✻**MR. G. NILAKANTAN** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) if the Director of Public Instruction has recommended to Government that the waiting lists maintained in the offices under him be scraped ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, why the recommendation is not sanctioned ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) It is under consideration.

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